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1. AT 17 JULY NEWS CONFERENCE THAI MFA'S PRESS SPOKESMAN
PRACHA GUNAKASEM ANNOUNCED UNOFFICIAL USIS TANSlation OF PERTINENT
PARTS OF CONFERENCE

" THAILAND'S POLICY IN THE MATTER IS THAT WE Galdly
WELCOME THIS LATEST PROPOSAL MADE. WHICH IS CONSIDERABLY
TONED DOWN IN ORDER TO PAVE THE WAY FOR CONSULTATIONS TO
BE HELD WHICH WILL LEAD TO AGREEMENT BEING REACHED
IN THE FUTURE. WE HOPE THAT THE OTHER SIDE WILL RESPOND
IN KIND BECAUSE THAILAND WISHES TO SEE VARIOUSFACTIONS
IN CAMBODIA COOPERATING IN REMEDYING PROBLEMS THEY ARE
FACED WITH THEMSELVES. WITH NO INTEFERENCEIN ANY FORM
WHATSOEVER FROM OUTSIDE.THAILAND WOULD LIKE THE FIGHTING
TO BE ENDED IN ORDER TO PUT AN END TO ALL HARDSHIPS AND
TROUBLES CAUSED BY WAR IN CAMBODIA THUS ENABLING THE
CAMBODIAN PEOPLE TO CONCENTRATE ON THEIR RESPECTIVE
MEANS OF LIVELIHOOD IN PEACE AND HAPPINESS SO THAT THEY
MAY ENJOY GOOD LIVING CONDITIONS IN THE FUTURE".

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2. QUERIED ABOUT PROSPECTIVE MEETINGSITES FOR KHMER

TALKS. PRACHA RESPONDED AS FOLLOWS:

"NO SITE WAS MENTIONED. IN THE PAST, HOWEVER, WE ONCE SUGGESTED THAT SHOULD WE BE ABLE TO GIVE ANY AID IN SOME WAYS, SUCH AS FOR A SITE IN THAILAND TO BE USED AS THE PLACE FOR MEETINGS AND NEGOTIATIONS TO BE HELD, WE WOULD BE GLAD TO PROVIDE SUCH FACILITIES. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS POLICY HAS NOT BEEN CHANGED, BUT NO REQUEST IN ANY FORM AT ALL HAS BEEN MADE TO US UP TO THE PRESENT. WE ARE READY TO GIVE ANY FACILITIES WE CAN'T TO ALL CAMBODIAN FACTIONS TO ENABLE THEM TO REMEDY PROBLEMS THEY ARE FACED WITH THEMSELVES.

3. SIHANOUK'S REJECTION WAS RAISED BY PRESS WHICH BROUGHT FORTH THIS FROM PRACHA.

"THE LON NOL GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY SHOWN ITS GOOD INTENTIONS AND ITS DESIRE FOR VARIOUS FACTIONS IN CAMBODIA TO TRY AND FIND A WAY TO REMEDY PROBLEMS THEIR COUNTRY IS FACED WITH THEMSELVES, WITHOUT HAVING TO DEPEND ON FOREIGN COUNTRIES. IT IS A FACT THAT THIS CONCERNS CAMBODIA ITSELF. THAT IS DOES NOT CONCERN ANY OTHER COUNTRY AT ALL".

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